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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ENRG, MNUC, PARM, FR, PK, US
SUBJECT: FRENCH AMBASSADOR'S COMMENTS ON THE NUCLEAR
REPROCESSING ISSUE

1. FRENCH AMBASSADOR POL TOLD DCM JUNE 29 HE WAS
PERSONALLY VERY UNCOMFORTABLE OVER FRENCH SALE OF
REPROCESSING PLANT TO PAKISTAN, BUT INDICATED HE SAW NO
SOLUTION AS LONG AS BHUTTO INSISTED CONTRACT BE FULFILLED.

2. POL SAID HE WAS APPALLED BY BHUTTO'S REMARKS IN
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON JUNE 10, WHEN BHUTTO REFERRED TO
PAKISTAN AND BRAZIL AS SEVENTH AND EIGHTH NUCLEAR POWERS
(ISLAMABAD 6036), IN APPARENT CONTRADICTION OF ASSURANCES
THAT PAKISTAN DID NOT INTEND TO USE REPROCESSING PLANT
FOR NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. POL NOTED THAT PRIOR TO HIS
ARRIVAL IN ISLAMABAD LAST FALL, HE HAD CONSULTED
WITH ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENT OFFICES IN PARIS ON
THE REPROCESSING PLANT AND HAD BEEN ASSURED THERE
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WAS NO CONCERN IN THE GOF THAT REPROCESSING IN
PAKISTAN WOULD LEAD TO PROLIFERATION. HE WAS THERE-
FORE STUNNED WHEN GISCARD SENT A SPECIAL REPRE-
SENTATIVE TO BHUTTO IN NOVEMBER, 1976 TO SUGGEST
THAT FRANCE WOULD BE HAPPY TO CANCEL OR POSTPONE
THE REPROCESSING PLANT IF BHUTTO WANTED TO DO SO
(WHICH HE DID NOT).

3. AMBASSADOR ALSO LAMENTED HEAVY PRESSURE HE WAS UNDER FROM HIS EASTERN EUROPEAN COLLEAGUES IN ISLAMABAD. POL SAID THAT THEY WERE EXTREMELY ABUSIVE IN THEIR CRITICISMS OF FRANCE FOR SELLING THE REPROCESSING FACILITY TO PAKISTAN, TO THE THE POINT THAT POL NEARLY FELT OBLIGED TO WALK OUT OF ONE RECEPTION. POL NOTED THAT THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR HAD KEPT QUIET ON THE SUBJECT, BUT, IN POL'S VIEW, HAD URGED HIS EAST EUROPEAN COLLEAGUES TO HIT THE FRENCH HARD. HUMMEL

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